--- 20 Cigarettes - Tall format - “Imperial Tobacco” - three digit BLACK coding - 1951-56 ---

--- the cancellation code reads horizontally upright - 23 copies to date ---

[★RC-396]	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1951	---	---	---	---	---	---	131	---	---	---	---	---
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1952	---	---	---	---	---	---	225	229	---	---	---	---
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	---	---	---	---	---	---	228	---				
1953	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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1954	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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				---	279	283	---	---	295	---	---	---
1955	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	309	313	---	321	---	---	333	337	341	345	---	---
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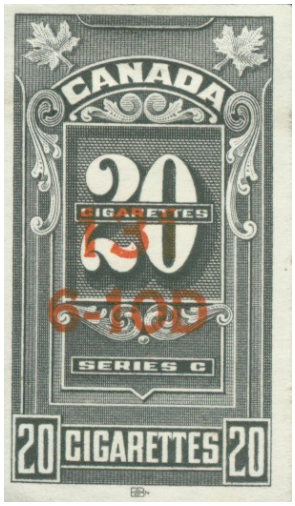
	---	315	---	---	---	---	---	---	343	---	351	---
1956	---	360	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	---	---	---	---	373	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	358	362	---	---	374	378	---	---	---	---	---	---
	359	---	---	---	---	379	---	---	---	---	---	---

--- 20 Cigarettes - Tall format - “Imperial Tobacco” - three digit RED coding - 1951-56 ---



--- the cancellation code reads horizontally upright - 3 copies to date ---

[★RC-396]	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1951	---	---	---	---	---	---	131	---	---	---	---	---
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1952	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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1953	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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1954	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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1955	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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1956	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
	---	---	---	---	373	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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--- 20 Cigarettes - Tall format - “Imperial Tobacco” - two digit RED coding - 1965-71 ---

Following the three digit number series, on the “Imperial Tobacco” small twenty cigarette stamps, are several two digit series using aligned twin 5 mm. Gothic numbers, reading vertically down, with the company code [6-10D] in 3 mm. pica reading horizontally at the bottom of the stamp. These exhibit various formats designed for different packaging situations, and lead up to the final coding series with a 2½ mm. Gothic code [**6-10D**] reading vertically down at the lower right side, with the reversed company coding [**10D-6**] beginning at **23** in September 1964. I do not find these various formats on the *tall format* twenty cigarette stamp. The stamp was intended to fit one type of package, and thus did not require varying alignments. *Apparently there were none coded in black ink*.

Thus far I have recorded only one set-up, using two digit cancellations on the *tall format* twenty cigarettes stamp. This uses the reversed coding **10D-6** in 2½ mm. Gothic with the “Quebec” red ink, which runs horizontally inverted across the top of the stamp.

There was no “Wings” Series in the *tall format* stamps, and as the cancellations proper to the “small” twenty cigarette stamp have not been found to date, the reverse codes seem to fit into 1965-71. With their reversed coding they are obviously post-1964.

The number series on the “small” twenty cigarette “Wings” stamp ends in mid-1974 at **58**. In the general collection there is a block of the twenty-five cigarette stamps from *Peter Jackson* numbered **59**, showing diagonal scratch marks from the defacing of the cancellation plate at the series conclusion.

--- 10D-6 is inverted at the top - the date code reads horizontally upright - 24 copies to date ---

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1964	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	26
1965	---	28	29	30	31	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1966	---	---	---	---	43	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
1967	51	---	---	---	55	56	57	---	---	---	---	---
1968	63	64	---	---	---	---	---	---	71	---	---	---
1969	---	---	---	---	---	80	---	82	---	---	---	---
1970	---	88	89	---	---	92	93	94	95	---	12	14
1971	---	---	17	18	19	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

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